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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte MARK R. HALLIGAN and RICHARD WEYAND

Application 09/757,940 Technology Center 3600

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This Image File Wrapper (IFW) application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on February 12, 2008. A review has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below:

The Appellants submitted a Supplemental Response and attachments on May 5, 2006. No further mention of this Response was noted in any subsequent Office Action issued by the Examiner. For clarification purposes, it is imperative that the Examiner respond to these documents submitted by Appellants with regards to the rejections on appeal.

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Accordingly, it is *ORDERED* that the application is returned to the Examiner:

- 1) to clarify the written record as to the status of the Supplemental Response of May 5, 2006; and
 - 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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